

## **WNYAIC & WNYPAC MEETING MINUTES**

**September 4, 2013**

**9:00AM-11:00AM**

**INDEPENDENT HEALTH**

**375 ESSJAY**

**WILLIAMSVILLE, NY**

**Attending Members:** Karen Menza, Renee Nealy, Stephanie Kellner, Karm Macoretta, Sue Berner, Lacie Dombkiewicz, Sharon Dwyer, Lynne Ficorilli, Dr. Roger Forden, Julie Gemerek, Colette Kogut, Patricia Mann, Cheryl Melbrod, Elaine Michlin, Cheryl Mills, Molly Ortolani, Mike Savoia.

**By phone:** Arlene Jacobsen

Welcome and Introductions

Review and approval of August 2013 meeting minutes as submitted. Changes include financial update and attendance.  
Accepted by Dr. Forden, 2nd Lacie Dombkiewicz.

**Note:** Reminder to please bring photo ID to check in at IHA.

Agenda Item	Discussion	Follow up Action	Deadline
<b><u>Old Business</u></b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>WNYPAC and WNYAIC Collaborative Agenda Items</u></b></p> <p><b>Facebook Page</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Update schedule: Sept.-Karm; Oct.-ECDOH; Nov.-Scott; Dec.-NCDOH. No suggestions at this time from group.</li></ul> <p><b>2014 Immunization Conference Planning:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Sign- up sheet passed for committee sign up Committee will meet after October meeting Ideas for speaker – Dr. Forden suggested Dr. Kroger speak on the role and function of the ACIP and how their various processes Dr. Domochoowski has agreed to speak – topic TBD, but will likely</li></ul>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing</p>	

	<p>focus on parents and vaccines. Save the date flyer goal for Jan 2014</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Vaccine Safety Coalition:</b> no update</li> <li>• <b>Health Fair Classics V:</b> 10/24/13 on Niagara Falls Blvd., sponsored by Over 50 Magazine. Karen has sent check in for booth rental. Two staffing sessions, each with 2 participants were reviewed. Would like 2 more volunteers at least.</li> <li>• Vaccine Puzzle - Lacie has sent recent update to Bev, not available for review today.</li> <li>• Resource Document – circulated for more participation. Group agreed distinction should be made whether organization provides travel vaccines or not.</li> </ul>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>Review next meeting</p> <p>Will circulate again at next meeting, then will format and review (Karm)</p>	
<b><u>NYSDOH Update</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NYSACHO meeting Sept 25<sup>th</sup>, agenda and registration online</li> <li>• Vaccine Education Webinar Sept 11<sup>th</sup> – Rotavirus and Intussusception, Dr. Offit.</li> </ul> <p>Short discussion took place regarding intussusception rates and whether they are reported, Dr. Forden commented on this. Orleans Cty HD does not give rotavirus vax d/t pre-vaccination assessment beyond their scope of practice.</p> <p>New Rotavirus VIS available.</p> <p>NYSDOH sent out memo August 14<sup>th</sup> to hospitals to report flu vaccinations for HCP.</p> <p>Short discussion re: mandate for hospitals, Renee circulated FAQ document published by DOH re: flu vax for HCP.</p> <p>Reminder re: mandate for childcare centers and schools to be displaying influenza resources i.e. posters</p> <p>Review of VPD: Hep A outbreak continues in Southwestern United</p>	<p>Renee Nealy</p>	

<p><b><u>County Updates</u></b></p>	<p>States. Confirmed case of Hep A in Suffolk County, NY. Interim influenza VIS available. Flu MMWR available from CDC.</p> <p><b>Erie County:</b> Busy with AFIX/audits; getting new FT employee; ½ of Influenza vaccine order received.</p> <p><b>Niagara County:</b> Immunization clinics picking up. Busy with travelers and PPDs for college. 1/4ly report done and into the NYSDOH. Two public flu clinics planned for September and will we also be giving flu vaccines to health department staff in Sept. Also have a Tdap clinic set up for 20 people at a daycare in NT. Gave an inservice to 4 bus drivers on the use of epi pen and also offered them Tdap which they took. Letter was sent to all daycares in Niagara County offering Tdap vaccine to employees.</p> <p><b>Genesee County:</b> Colette working alone now, HD busy. Monthly report sent in. Question re: sending in temperature logs without evidence of calibration certificate, and ability to order flu vaccine. Renee commented there should be no issues with ordering flu vax. Has not received VFC flu vax yet. Has some fee-for-service flu vax. PPD shortage is a problem. Discussion from group including T-spot blood testing, Aplisol availability, and access to PPD shortage guidelines from DOH. Student health centers vary in their products/services offered.</p> <p><b>Orleans County:</b> ½ flu vax order received; 2 schools have agreed to flu clinics; flu pricing discussion took place, also discussed requests for quadrivalent flu vax. Orleans Cty carrying several flu products. Working on plan to improve vaccination rates for preschoolers.</p>	<p>Karen</p> <p>Bev, reported by Karm</p>	
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<u><b>Manufacture Updates</b></u>	<p><b>MedImmune:</b> Arlene via telephone; FluMist Quad available in both private and VFC markets; available at Target and Walgreens</p> <p><b>GSK:</b> No current shortages.</p> <p><b>Merck:</b> Molly; all vax in supply; Merch has created new role, there are now pharmacy-dedicated reps</p> <p><b>Novartis:</b> No rep in attendance</p> <p><b>Pfizer:</b> Sharon; no update</p> <p><b>Sanofi:</b> No rep in attendance</p>		
<u><b>New Business</b></u>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Shortage of injectable Typhoid vaccine -Passport Health has been allocated and has doses available; unsure of supply otherwise, no representation from Sanofi today  Tubersol – no representation for update  Pediarix – no shortage at this time  Pentacel- no representation for update</li> <li>2. <u>Word of Mom Campaign:</u> in honor of March of Dimes 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the March of Dimes and Sanofi Pasteur have launched this. It aims to reach across the generations to motivate mothers and caregivers to advocate for childhood, adolescent and adult vaccinations.</li> <li>3. Consortia VII Conference Call on 8/9/13- all counties gave update.  <u>NYSACHO update:</u> as of 7/12/13 the governor signed a bill into law that colleges have access to NYSIIS. The NYSIIS consent is no longer required for persons over 18. A person can give verbal consent. Also, effective 11/1/13 pharmacists will be allowed to give Meningococcal vaccine.</li> <li>4. Webinar 8/15/13: Impact of the Affordable Care Act on Immunizations- Opportunities and Challenges – interesting webinar but it also brought up a lot of questions about insurance and vaccine coverage. Presented by Dr. LJ Tan.</li> <li>5. 8/27/13 VIC Network Webinar: What’s Trending this Fall CDC’s flu communication - Archived at the VIC Network.</li> <li>6. Vaccinations for Pregnant Women: IAC and ACOG developed patient handouts for pregnant women- what vaccines are allowed and which are</li> </ol>		

	<p>recommended and contraindicated during pregnancy. It is part of four other handout: Vaccinations for Adults, Vaccinations for Adults with HIV Infection, Vaccinations for Adults with Diabetes- these are all on the IAC website.</p> <p>7. FDA extends FluLaval IIV3 and IIV4 (GSK) age range- includes children and teens age 3-17. This occurred on 8/16/13. It was previously licensed for age 18 and older.</p> <p>8. Temperature Log changes: IAC and CDC revised vaccine storage temperature logs and added troubleshooting problems with temps to be recorded electronically. These are all on the IAC website.</p> <p>9. MMWR 8/23/13: Japanese Encephalitis Surveillance and Immunization-JE is a leading cause of encephalitis in Asia, causing 67,900 cases annually. The WHO recommends that JE vaccine be incorporated into immunization programs in all areas where JE is a public health problem.</p> <p>10. MMWR 8/23/13: Polio vaccination in northern Nigeria- wild polio virus transmission remains endemic in three countries: Afghanistan, Nigeria and Pakistan. The N-Stop program (National Stop Transmission of Polio) has been developed to implement innovative strategies that address the remaining polio eradication challenges in Nigeria. This imitative focus on locating and vaccinating children ages less than 5 years in remote nomadic, scattered, and border populations in northern Nigeria, where low polio vaccination coverage likely contributes to ongoing WPV transmission.</p> <p>11. State has published a new Tdap Q&amp;A article to answer school issues phone calls.</p> <p>12. Flu Promotion for December, 2013 for National Influenza Week – Karm brought up possible event, WNYAIC/PAC could host a local screening of documentary film produced by Carlsbad High School CHSTV Worldwide, who has already won several documentary film awards for past works including <i>We Must Remember</i> and <i>One in Seven: The New Face of Hunger</i>. The pro-vaccine film is titled <i>Invisible Threat</i>, and is about the anti-vaccine movement, and meant to raise awareness and in favor of</p>		
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	<p>vaccination. Paul Offit was technical advisor for film. Endorsed by Mayo Clinic, VEC at CHOP, Every Child by Two, NFID, IAC and many other pro-vaccine organizations. Passport Health was invited to attend conference call with one of the executive producers yesterday. Goal is to have as many national screenings as possible, preferable in Nov/Dec, but can also be Jan/Feb. GathrUs.com can handle ticket sales online. No roll out funds unless the coalition wanted to pay for the \$10 tickets and offer it as a free screening. Group discussed various venues for the screening including universities, hospitals, schools. Passport Health was sent link to film, however producers worried Internet leak will kill project. Group very interested but would like to view film prior to further interest in hosting screening.</p>	Karm will contact executive producer to inquire re: can WNYAIC view film prior to making decision re: involvement	
<b><u>Financial Update</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$9566.29</li> <li>• Gloria Boseman honorarium paid (\$1500), however she has not supplied original receipts for travel expenses. Karen has asked for receipts without response. Group agreed we will wait until she contacts Karen again before payment is made for expenses</li> </ul>	Karen	
<b><u>Lead Update</u></b>	<p><b>Lead Update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Steady flow of chelations. Reminder that children with developmental disabilities need continued testing beyond 2 years; Lead Program representation at various health fairs and Wild About Wellness program at Buffalo Zoo, which was well-attended by young families.</li> <li>• Orleans Cty HD reporting low elevations this summer.</li> </ul>	<p>Stephanie</p> <p>Cheryl</p>	
<b><u>Next Meeting:</u></b>	<b>Wednesday October 2, 2013 at IHA</b>	BYOB!	